

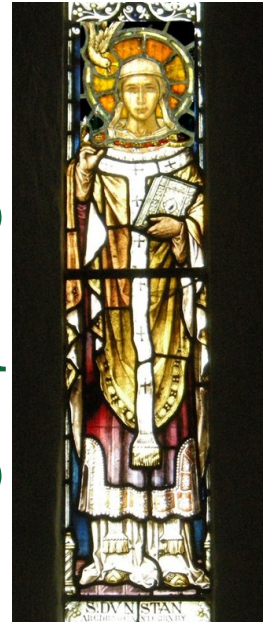


THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES

NEWS from

ST. DUNSTAN'S SUNDAY 29 AUGUST



Trinity 13

10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST
with Archdeacon Edward Dowler
Choir: Mass of St Osmund by David Halls

READINGS:
James 1: 17-27
Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

COLLECT
Almighty God,
Who called your Church
to bear witness



That you were in Christ
reconciling the world to yourself:
Help us to proclaim the good
news of your love,
That all who hear it may be
drawn to you:
Through him who was lifted up
on the cross,
And reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and for ever.

POST COMMUNION
God our creator,
You feed your children with the
true manna,
The living bread from heaven:
Let this holy food sustain us
through our earthly pilgrimage
Until we come to that place
Where hunger and thirst are no
more;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PAUSE FOR THOUGHT

It's always a temptation to reduce vibrant truth to rigid, narrow rules. Then often the rules surrounding the truth take over in importance and are given 'permission' to reign through the name of tradition;

which is then revered often at the expense of the original, liberating vision. In our Gospel reading, Jesus isn't so much turning the world upside down as turning it 'right side up' again, the way God intended.

Di

Prayer for Afghanistan

O God of mercy and of peace, we hold before you the peoples of Afghanistan

Be living bread to those who are hungry each day.
Be healing and wholeness to those who have no access to health care amidst the ravages of the pandemic.
Be a true home to all who have been displaced.

Be open arms of loving acceptance to those who fear because of their gender, ethnicity, religious or political views.

Be peace to those engaged in armed conflict, and those who live within its shadow.

Turn our hearts and minds to your ways of just and gentle peace; open our eyes to see you in all acts of compassionate care.

Strengthen our hearts to step out in solidarity with your suffering people, and hold us all in your unfailing love.

Council for World Mission

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Giving thanks to God for his faithfulness. We pray for Fr Michael Asquith, and wife Jo, as they prepare to move to Mayfield, for Deacon Di and visiting clergy, Churchwardens and PCC and Nicky in the Office. We pray too for Fr Michael's current parish, St Margaret's, in Lowestoft

For our schools, teachers, parents and children as preparations are made to return to school

For the courage to make the most of every opportunity to share our faith with others through words and deeds

For healing for those continuing to be affected by Covid; for those whose jobs are at risk

For all known to us who are sick in body, mind or spirit: Alf Thompson, Pam Mather

For the recently departed: Fr Mario Sanderson (previous Priest from St Thomas's)

For those whose anniversaries fall this at this time: Raymond Evans, Oliver Millard, Rosemary Watson

AND FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WIDER WORLD

For our Government and all national leaders that they be guided by a Godly wisdom

For the situation in Afghanistan; for peace and reconciliation in all areas of conflict

For all victims of intolerance and oppression

For parts of the world continuing to be adversely affected by Covid

For all who lack proper healthcare, good nutrition and adequate supplies of clean water; for all who work to alleviate poverty, hunger and disease

For an urgent and determined global response to the climate emergency

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

- Mon 30th:** Bank Holiday—Parish Office closed.
Tues 31st: 7.45pm Bell-ringing practice
Wed 1st: 10am Morning Prayer with Deacon Di
Fri 3rd: 5pm Wedding rehearsal
Sat 4th: 11-11.30am Bell-ringing practice
12.30pm Wedding of Benjamin Watson and Victoria Walter
Sun 5th: 10.15am Parish Eucharist with Revd Canon Richard Harper
12noon Friends of St Dunstan's Garden Party—Clayton's Farmhouse.

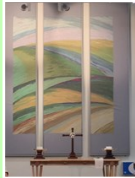
CHURCH OPENING HOURS: Daily 9am to 5pm

PLEASE NOTE: the PARISH OFFICE EMAIL ADDRESS is now:
office.stdunstans@gmail.com

Office hours: 9am-1pm Mon, Wed, Fri. Tel: 873484.
Website: www.stdunstansmayfield.org.uk PLEASE DO BE IN TOUCH IF YOU WOULD LIKE NAMES ADDED TO OUR PRAYER LIST.

A SAID EUCHARIST takes place at the CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD at the COTTAGE HOSPICE in FIVE ASHES at 12 noon on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month.

SEPTEMBER SERVICES: 12th & 26th



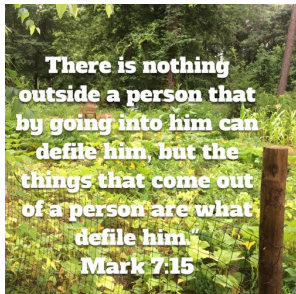
Sunday Club

Please see the Church website for further details of the weekly activities posted for our younger members.

GOSPEL READING:
MARK 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

This week we explore helping each other to live consistently

Lord, help us not to judge people by their appearance but to look for the goodness inside them. Amen



Raising funds for the preservation and maintenance of the church building.

ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY IN AID OF THE FRIENDS OF ST DUNSTAN'S PARISH CHURCH

REVISED DATE

Claytons Farmhouse,
Newick Lane

12 noon to 2pm Sunday 5th September
by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Richard Nabavi

Entry is by ticket only (£10) payable at the gate to include a glass of wine, light refreshments and the opportunity to walk around this lovely country garden. Ample parking provided.



Clayton's Farmhouse is situated about 1 mile down Newick Lane on the right. The farmhouse dates from about 1420 and is surrounded by garden, orchard, woodland and farmland. It even has its own railway tunnel!

Everyone welcome—let's make this a garden party to remember!

SONGS OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

6pm SUNDAY 12 SEPTEMBER

We are getting together with the church congregations, friends and family, across Mayfield and Five Ashes to join in singing songs of praise as we gradually return to normalcy after lockdown.

DO YOU HAVE A FAVOURITE HYMN? Please email julia.lawrence10@btinternet.com by 30 August. (No guarantee that all requests will be included but some most certainly will!) **ALL WELCOME!**

HARVEST FESTIVAL 10.15am Sunday 26 September

All are welcome to come and celebrate the role farmers play in all our lives.

We will also be collecting funds for The Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution. Please put the date in your diary.



WAR MEMORIAL FLOWERBED Following the replacement of railings around the War Memorial, the flowerbed will be replanted in mid-October to a design by Tessa Crowe, Chairman of the Mayfield Horticultural Society. The design, providing interest throughout the year, can be viewed by contacting monica.aitken@mayfieldfiveashes.org.uk (01435 872454) and will cost in the region of £700. Should you wish to donate to this worthwhile village project you may do so through: **bank transfer** to the Parish Council sort code 60-10-30, a/c no.73158216, reference "WM flowerbed"; **cheque** payable to Mayfield & Five Ashes Parish Council and dropped in or sent to the Parish Council office (The Old Manor House, High St, Mayfield); **cash** during Parish Council office hours. **Thank you.**

Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Betsy-Ann Dixon who passed away on 25th February 2020 aged 88 years is to be held in St Dunstan's on Monday 6th September 2021 at 12 noon. Followed by a private interment of Ashes.

NEW CONGREGATIONAL MASS SETTING

Members of the choir will sing the Mass of St Osmund by David Halls (Director of Music at Salisbury Cathedral) on Sunday 29th August. This is a new congregational setting which will be introduced on Sunday 19th September when there will be a rehearsal for the congregation at **9.50am.**

Everyone is encouraged to attend.

CASHLESS GIVING Sadly the new temporary Card Reader is not working properly. However,

giving to St Dunstan's is made easy by using the QR code with your mobile, or the Donate Button (also on the



Parish web site), or making a bank transfer to Mayfield PCC, 55-70-13, 08277540. **Thank you.**



A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THE HOLY DUSTERS who helped clean the church on Thursday

Following the retirement of Revd Sharon Francis, a **NEW RURAL DEAN** has been appointed— **Revd Julie Sear**, Rector of Hartfield and Coleman's Hatch.

